

# THE HAMLET HERALD



'Outstanding learning, within a glittering curriculum, where everyone matters'

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## HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

Well done Y6 - children and staff! You 'smashed' the SATs this week. The wider staff team have all commented on the mature approach taken by our Y6 Hamleteers, we are very proud of you all. They can now look forward to an exciting 'menu' of post-SATs activities, including their school journey next week, and gala dinner and theatre trip to see Frozen the musical, the week after, to name a few.

Our Chair of Governors visited mid-week to review our test preparation and processes. SATs administration is almost like undergoing a test itself! Karen Larcombe was pleased to report that our processes were thorough and transparent and compliant with all the national requirements.

The SATs have all been collected and there is nothing further we can do until we receive the results in July. Y6 Parents and carers will receive this information along with the Annual Report Part 2 near the end of term. Prior to that, we have been notified today that we are going to be receiving an external moderation visit in June to ensure our Y6 teacher assessments are accurate and consistent with national standards. This is a rigorous process that we welcome and see it as an opportunity to demonstrate that our internal assessments are robust, accurate and credible. As part of our ongoing assessment cycle, we moderate internally and with other schools which is good practice. All of this work should put us in a really good position for the moderation. Following this we will receive formal feedback.

Looking forward to a dance at the PTA disco later...!

## DOODLEVISION



The top three classes with the highest % of being in 'the green zone' this week are:

**First place** (12 points): **3GR/5TS/3F** **43%**

**Second place** (11 points): **4S** **39%**

**Third place** (10 points): **4B/4O** **33%**



Many congratulations. Keep on Doodling everyone!

## KEY DATES

### Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Y6 school residential journey

### Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May

Y3 Portals to the Past Ancient Greece workshops

Y5 Parent and carer taster lunch

### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Trust Dance Festival

PTA uniform shop open 9:00-9:30

## STAFF NEWS

We are going to be saying 'goodbye' to Miss Cafeo next Tuesday, as she leaves us to join a tech company with the remit of inspiring women into STEM.

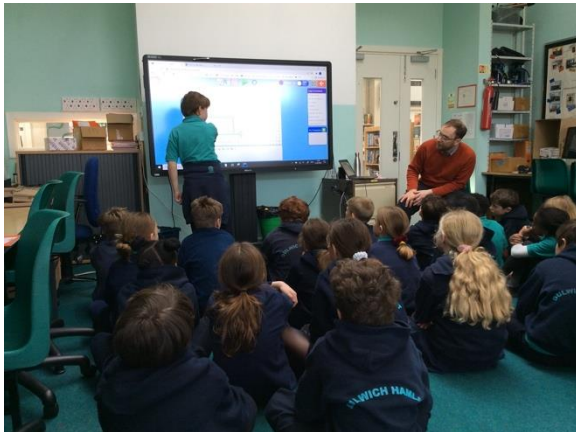
Miss Cafeo has worked with us for the past four years as a much valued teaching assistant and higher level teaching assistant, supporting numerous classes and individual children.

We wish Miss Cafeo all the best as she leaves the classroom, and embarks on some exciting new adventures!

## WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
65	105	73	62

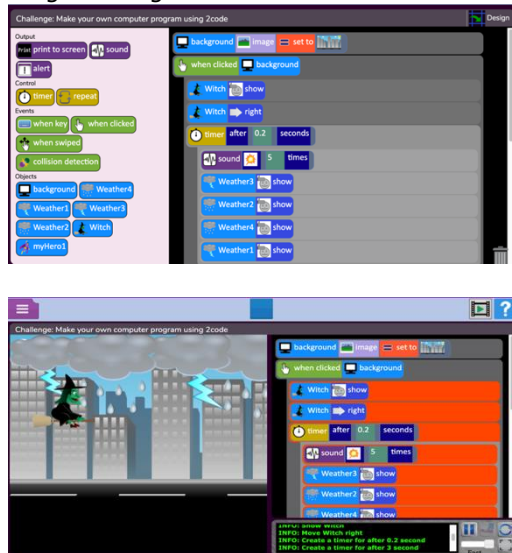
## CURRICULUM SPECIAL: COMPUTING



Our computing curriculum provides all of our children with a range of challenging and engaging activities. Some of these cultivate their understanding of key computer science concepts and processes, while others support the development of their digital literacy and knowledge of IT systems.

The computing curriculum at Dulwich Hamlet has been designed in line with the expectations of the national curriculum, which states that *'the core of computing is computer science, in which pupils are taught the principles of information and computation, how digital systems work, and how to put this knowledge to use through programming.'* We take that emphasis seriously and devote a significant proportion of our lessons to understanding programming concepts and features and putting these into practice through an assortment of coding activities.

### Programming with 2Code



We also spend time on developing digital literacy so that children acquire age-appropriate skills in using information and communication technology for a variety of tasks such as data handling and measurement or creative activities like writing or music creation. Another aspect of digital literacy that children develop, sometimes referred to as information technology, is a technical understanding of topics such as network components and features of the world wide web.

Children in each year group study topics with either a computer science focus or a digital literacy, including online safety, focus each term. These topics are planned carefully to introduce new and more challenging concepts or tasks each year.

### How the curriculum is organised

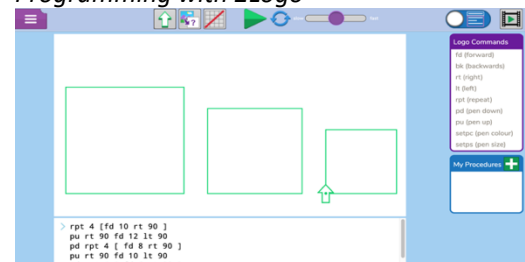
The **computer science** strand consists of three sub-strands.

**Computational thinking** includes breaking a problem or task down into smaller parts (decomposition) and understanding how variables may be used to manipulate data.

**Programming** involves knowledge of how those ideas might be used within a programming language.

**Coding** is the process of writing the code, whether in text or using programming blocks, to solve the problem or complete the task.

### Programming with 2Logo



Computing isn't always about the tech.  
It's about understanding  
programming.

We consider **digital literacy** to also consist of three sub-strands.

### Spreadsheets, Year 3

Name	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Total
Buster	4	19	5	28
Princess	7	42	12	61
Hestor	2	400	123	525

### Spreadsheets, Year 4

ITEM	PRICE	COST
0	£0.77	£0.00
1	£0.89	£0.00
0	£1.20	£0.00
2	£1.20	£2.40
10	£1.15	£11.50
10	£0.60	£6.00

**Using software applications** includes learning how to use general purpose software or apps for communicating or data handling. Subsequently, such software will often be used within the learning of other subjects. Older children may be expected to choose what applications to use for a particular purpose from the range that they have used previously.

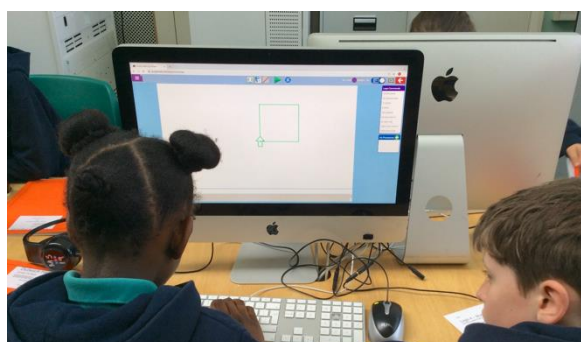
**Technical understanding** includes learning about physical IT systems, such as networks, or software systems, such as the world wide web.

**Online communication and social awareness** includes learning how to respond to challenging situations online and being discerning when evaluating digital content.

### Teaching and learning resources

We have a range of IT equipment for children to use. Our Mac Suite provides iMacs for children to work at in pairs and we also have iPads and Chromebooks available to use in classrooms. In computing lessons we regularly use iMacs and Chromebooks.

We subscribe to Purple Mash, a set of web-based apps and other resources from 2Simple (<https://2simple.com/purple-mash/>). This provides us with software for programming, such as 2Code and 2Logo, and other computing tools, such as 2Calculate (spreadsheet) and 2Investigate (database), that are child-friendly versions of these software types.



Children log in to Purple Mash with their Google accounts and are able to use the same apps on iMacs, Chromebooks or iPads. Being web-based, Purple Mash can also be used by children at home.

It's fun when you achieve something.  
But it's also fun when it's a challenge,  
like when I started learning to use  
'repeat'.

Dulwich Hamlet

# Weekly menu

Monday

Mozzarella & Pesto Pasta served with Garlic Bread

Vegetable Fajitas served with Mexican Style Rice

Jacket Potato served with a choice of fillings

Homemade Bread

2 vegetable options

Shortbread Biscuit

Fruit Wedges

Tuesday

Shepherds Pie topped with Carrot and Potato topping

Vegetable Shepherds pie with Carrot and Potato topping

Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings

Homemade Bread

2 Vegetable options

Apple Crumble served with Custard

Wednesday

Honey Roasted Turkey with Apple Sauce & Roast Potato

Creamy Leek & Cheese slice served with Roast Potatoes

Jacket Potato served with a choice of toppings

Homemade Bread

2 Vegetable options

Wholemeal Banana sponge

Thursday

BBQ Chicken pizza served with Jacket wedges

Margherita Pizza served with jacket wedges

Jacket Potato served with a choice of fillings

Homemade Bread

2 Vegetable options

Fruity Flapjack

Friday

Battered Fingers served with chips and Tomato sauce

Vegetable Burger in a bun served with chips and Tomato sauce

Jacket Potato served with a choice of fillings

Homemade Bread

Baked Beans

Garden Peas

Vanilla Ice Cream with Peaches

Available daily

Salad Bar provided every day  
Fruit Bar provided every day  
25th April, 16th May, 6th June, 27th June, 18th July

**HARRISON**  
food with thought